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A Quarterly Newsletter for Teachers and Students Focusing on Recent Events and Developments in the EMIT Pathway

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Welcome to the December issue of the EMIT Newsletter, published by the Department of Labor & Economic Growth, Office of Career and Technical Preparation. Its purpose is to apprise our community of scholarship and apprenticeship opportunities that **may require advanced planning and a timely response.**

Past issues of this Newsletter may be viewed at:

http://www.michigan.gov/mdcd/0,1607,7-122-1680_2629_2724-101172--00.html.

You are encouraged to review the information contained herein and pass it along to a colleague to whom it may be useful. Any ideas and/or suggestions should be addressed to Patricia Talbott-Dills, (517) 373-0359 or talbott-dillsp@michigan.gov.

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Apprenticeships

Apprenticeship programs are generally offered for post-secondary students. The first step (and a potential stumbling block) for an aspiring apprentice is TO BECOME EMPLOYED by an employer who is engaged in the craft in which the student is interested. It is possible to increase ones desirability to a prospective employer by already having taken appropriate courses that would preclude the necessity of the employer paying those cost.

Other apprenticeship programs are classified as School-To-Apprenticeships (STRA). These programs enable students to achieve apprenticeship entrance competencies and advanced standing while achieving their formal educational requirements. Students are guided into part-time (cooperative) employment or preparatory in-school training as registered, part-time apprentices leading to an accepted journey person level as an occupational goal, including transition to a full-time registered apprenticeship upon completion of the formal vocational/technical program.

Locating the best options will require diligence and should be started well before your students expect to graduate. For more information about STRA programs, visit: www.openop.com/gi/selection.asp.

At the 21st Annual Michigan Apprenticeship and Training Conference held in Lansing, the EMIT pathway consultant spoke with several apprenticeship organizations who indicated that they are accepting applications from students for openings within their programs. These organizations are listed below and should be contacted by your 2006 graduating students as soon as possible. They will want to request wage sheets, a list of contractors in the area, a tool list, and testing sites.

Lansing Electrical Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee

5708 Cornerstone Drive #M102
Lansing, MI 48901-7210
517-483-9688

Journeyman & Apprentice Training Fund, Inc. (Operating Engineer-Heavy Construction Equipment)

275 East Highland Road
Howell, MI 48843
517-546-9610

Michigan Carpenters Apprenticeship & Training Program

Local Union #100
140 N. 64th Ave.
Coopersville, MI 49404
888-311-6245

Local #706
6459 Pierson Road
Flushing, MI 48433
810-487-1234

Local #202
2410 Industrial Street
Grayling, MI 49738
231-932-8946

Local #1004
2310 W. Washtenaw St.
Lansing, MI 48917
517-484-1301

Local #525
3617 Gembrit Circle
Kalamazoo, MI 49001
800-655-3907

Local #1510
1219 1st Avenue South
Escanaba, MI 49829
800-248-1134

Local #706
1400 W. Genesee
Saginaw, MI 48602
888-683-7706

Toyota Technical Center
Human Resources Dept.
4410 Goss Road
Ann Arbor, MI 48105
[www. Toyota.com/ttc-jobs](http://www.toyota.com/ttc-jobs)

Ironworkers Local #340
Training Fund
Dane Bowers, Coordinator
269-962-4477

Electrical Industry Training Center
2277 E. 11 Mile Road
Warren, MI 48092
586-751-6600

Skilled Trades Apprenticeship Programs
Russ Davis, Skilled Trades Manager
989-686-9530
[rwdavis @delta.edu](mailto:rwdavis@delta.edu)

Michigan Institute of Aeronautics
Willow Run Airport
47884 D. Street
Belleville, MI 48111-9912

Ann Arbor Electrical Apprenticeship Training Center
13400 Luick Drive
Chelsea, MI 48118
734-475-1180

Apprenticeship Training Schools
<http://www.openop.com/apprenticeshipschoollist.asp>

The U. S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration

When assisting your students in locating apprenticeship opportunities, an excellent place to research is the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Apprenticeship Training. <http://bat.dol.gov/bat.cfm> This site allows you to search through many opportunities with employers who have registered with the federal government. It allows you to search by: state, county, employer and craft. The companies listed are those who believe in the concept of apprenticeship programs but may, as a result of the current economy, have stopped hiring altogether or have reduced the benefits provided to their apprentices. By contacting the companies listed, students will be able to better assess the possibility of apprenticeship or employment opportunities in a given field. Available crafts literally run the gamut from bricklayer to toolmaker; and from electrical construction to welding.

Another site that may be helpful is:
www.miconstructioncareers.org/opportunities.html

Please take a minute to view these sites to see what they have available.

Community Colleges

In addition, many community colleges offer credit for students enrolled in apprenticeship programs. These credits may then be used toward an Associates or other degrees and/or certificates.

A good example of what one community college offers may be viewed at:

<http://www.macomb.edu/academics/careertech/skilledtrades/degrecert.asp>

A complete list of Community Colleges that offer apprenticeship training may be found at:

<http://www.meata.org/colleges.html>

Scholarship Opportunities

The logical best place for a student to begin the search for scholarship opportunities is with their school guidance counselor. Career and Technical Education students may find these sites helpful:

www.constructmyfuture.com

<http://mccte.edu/ct/cps/2004aw.asp>

<http://www.walmartfacts.com/wal-mart-scholarship.aspx>

www.mea.org/design.cfm?p=4819

Minority students: www.uncf.org/

www.blackexcel.org/100minority.htm

www.rosaparksscholarshipfoundation.org/Application.doc

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